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## Universal Aryan Brotherhood Associate Sentenced for Violence Committed in Aid of Racketeering

An associate of the Universal Aryan Brotherhood (UAB) prison gang was sentenced to 57 months in prison today in federal court for violence committed in aid of racketeering, announced Assistant Attorney General Leslie R. Caldwell of the Justice Department's Criminal Division and U.S. Attorney Danny C. Williams Sr. of the Northern District of Oklahoma.

Robert Allen Paul Bryan, 41, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, pleaded guilty on June 4, 2015, before U.S. District Judge Claire V. Eagan of the Northern District of Oklahoma.

In connection with his guilty plea, Bryan acknowledged his association with the UAB, a violent, "whites only" prison-based gang with members and associates operating inside and outside of state prisons throughout Oklahoma. Bryan admitted that in May 2013, he and other UAB members, operating on orders from the UAB's governing body, restrained a former UAB member while other gang members used a heated knife to burn off the victim's UAB neck tattoo.

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security Investigations; the Tulsa Police Department; the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigations Division; the FBI; the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office and the Oklahoma Department of Corrections investigated the case. Trial Attorney John C. Hanley of the Criminal Division's Organized Crime and Gang Section and Assistant U.S. Attorneys Allen Litchfield and Jan Reincke of the Northern District of Oklahoma are prosecuting the case.